

## CHRISTMAS PARTIES TO CARE FOR ALL

Every Section of City Has  
Plans to Gladden Poor  
and Helpless.

## BIG TREES FOR PARKS

Municipal Building to Hold  
Celebration for Its  
Workers.

## SALVATION ARMY ACTIVE

Sick Children, Cripples, Prison  
Inmates and Street Waifs  
to Be Remembered.

There are to be vaudeville and dancing on Saturday—where? In the Municipal Building, a pile of city offices. The Christmas spirit, which is felt in various ways, has inspired Grover A. Whalen, Commissioner of Plant and Structures, to arrange a celebration for 500 members of the executive force of his department.

This is one item of Christmas cheer of the thousands of New York's program. It would take many columns of a newspaper just to indicate the parties and the gifts that are being prepared by public and private philanthropy for persons who for one reason or another couldn't manage much for themselves.

One dives into a heap of typewritten announcements and brings up this: "Five thousand Christmas stockings for tenement children." Such is to be the distribution on Christmas morning by the nurses and visitors of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. Each of the 5,000 stockings is being filled with some particular child in mind. Schools, churches, clubs and employees of business houses, as well as individuals, have taken empty stockings to stuff. A Fifth Avenue woman took the names and requirements of forty children and will spend \$5 on each.

## Sick Children Want Toys.

More than 1,000 children in the fifty-eight non-municipal institutions of the United Hospital Fund must be amused on Christmas. More toys are needed if Santa Claus is to give complete satisfaction. The fund suggests that manufacturers, dealers and exhibitors who have showrooms or otherwise unsaleable toys on hand cannot do better than call on the secretary, Frederick D. Greene, Gramercy 2167, and tell just what they can give. Parents of a large per cent of the hospital children are unable to pay even for treatment, to say nothing of toys.

The Salvation Army has prepared 10,000 addresses of bundles of toys for as many children in this city. It also is preparing 5,000 baskets, containing chicken dinners for 25,000 persons, to be delivered to the homes of the needy on Saturday. That is not all—the army will have four great parties for children held simultaneously in different parts of the city on December 27. As Santa Claus has to appear at each of these special automobile parties, Santa Claus will be provided for him. Also the various army branches will have parties of their own.

## Festivities Under Way.

On Tuesday the children of the Metropolitan Hospital will attend the Hippodrome and have dinner at Drake's restaurant. Santa Claus will carry his pack to the feeble minded children on Randall's Island as well as the others, and several organizations, including the Tubercular Club, Knights of Columbus and Madison Square Church House, will help to enliven the day. At the City Home for the Aged the fun began yesterday with a recital by the choir of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. At City Hospital contributors to good cheer are the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Fruit and Flower Mission and Charity Organization Society. Every hospital will have a Christmas tree.

Pupils of Erasmus Hall High School will distribute 400 gifts to patients in the chronic divisions of the County Hospital. In the Palm Garden Festival on December 23 there will be presents for 2,000 children, who will ride from the playgrounds in buses supplied by the Department of Plant and Structures, and vaudeville provided by E. F. Albee. The menu of the Christmas dinner to be set forth in the city's correctional institutions is soup, roast chicken, celery, mashed turnips, apple jelly, baked sweet potato, hot mince pie, fruit, coffee. Each institution will have a motion picture show, provided by the institution.

## 124 CLUB MEMBERS HELD AS COMMON GAMBLERS

Police Make Charge After  
Raiding Democrats.

The law charging common gambling was invoked in Night Court last night for the first time since the days when William Travers Jerome was District Attorney. Lieut. Vose of the chief inquest, who made a complaint against 124 of the 192 prisoners taken yesterday in a raid on the Oscar Waters Democratic Club at 49 West 131st street. Those arrested included forty white men and two negroes. The others were negroes.

## STEWART'S 'SNAKES' PROVE TO BE BOA CONSTRUCTORS

Dry Agents Steer Clear of Ward Line on Hearing  
Haggerty's Yarn—Two Experiences Startle  
Crew, but Men Kill Dormant Boas.

Agents who look into the obscure corners and crannies of ships for hidden booze decided yesterday on the arrival of the Ward liner Orizaba from Havana that she would require special attention, as she brought in a snake story that seemed to have been inspired by snake-bite remedy of unusual potency.

Second Steward, Charles Haggerty, went down into the liner's hold the night after she left Havana and came back up ladders and companion ways hardly touched by the rats or snakes. There was a procession of gigantic snakes following him, all linked up like saucers.

The skipper said the usual thing about the veil of abandoning the one-half of one per cent. legal stuff aboard, but it did not shake the story of the second steward for even a second. Chief Engineer Albert Torriani was inclined to accept the tale and volunteered to go below and rout out the monster. He came back swiftly, denying that there was really a supercargo of linked snakes, but drew out, but that he had seen with his guaranteed one-half of one per cent. eyes two big snakes and that they were not sea serpents, but ordinary box constrictors.

It was recalled that the Orizaba on

her last trip south had a circus and menagerie aboard and it was naturally inferred that some of the big boas had wriggled out of captivity into the ship's hold. A gang of men went below, found the boas in a state of coma and dispatched them, when they might have brought them here and sold them to an animal dealer.

They were described as big snakes, but nobody took the trouble to measure them before they were thrown into the sea, so the sea serpent reporters had to guess the longitude with some degree of latitude. They may have been twenty feet long.

The skipper thought the tale good enough, but was surprised next night when Haggerty appeared again, much excited, and shouted that there was another snake loose below. The skipper appeared to suspect that Haggerty was really above and told him to watch his step. Another snake expedition was formed and—yes, the third boa was found on the boat and slain.

After the agents had searched vainly for booze, first hearing all the boa-tail yarns, they wondered what sort of a tale might have come out of the liner if the ship's company had not been on the water wagon.

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Husband of Victim Also in  
Morristown Jail as a Ma-  
terial Witness.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

BUTLER, N. J., Dec. 19.—Vincent Macecek, 80 years old, was arrested to-night by the detectives who are investigating the murder of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Burbo, found shot to death in the snow 150 yards from her house early this morning. The woman's husband, Charles Burbo, an employee of a Butler rubber factory, was arrested an hour after the woman's body was found, and he and the father are being held at Morristown as material witnesses.

Both Macecek and Burbo deny any knowledge of the crime, but officials of the county prosecutor's office say that the men, particularly Burbo, have made conflicting statements regarding their movements during the night.

The woman's fall occupies a shanty next door to the Burbo home. Mrs. Burbo, besides having been beaten with a club or an iron bar, had been shot five times with a .22 caliber revolver or rifle. The police were in the shanty where her father lived they found five empty .22 caliber cartridges of which the old man denied any knowledge. Both he and Burbo refused to be questioned by Macecek had quarreled with his daughter because she sent him to the Almshouse about a year ago. He left the house about four months ago and since then has been living in the shanty alongside the home of Burbo and his wife.

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## CINCINNATI'S EX-MAYOR ARRESTED, VINDICATED

Runs Into Photographers at  
Scene of Police Murder.

Henry T. Hunt, formerly Mayor of Cincinnati, has been in this city for several weeks, living at 1349 Lexington avenue. Mr. Hunt's temporary home is almost in front of the place at which Patrolman Edward J. Fallon was killed Sunday evening, and when Mr. Hunt reached the house he found the sidewalk blocked and policemen standing around. There was a photographer there. An official view of the scene of the accident was being made for the Police Department files.

As Mr. Hunt attempted to get by in order to enter the house, one of the policemen stopped him, saying: "Where are you going? Get in the street."

Mr. Hunt didn't like the tone of voice and started on walking. The policeman kept on putting a detaining hand on him and according to Mr. Hunt's statement at night a police sergeant shouted to the other policeman:

"Get that guy."

Mr. Hunt found that he was under arrest. He was taken to the East 104th street police station and there protested against his treatment, but received a summons to attend court. He appeared yesterday in Harlem Court, where Magistrate McAndrews discharged him.

Mr. Hunt said last evening that he had not always found New York policemen so short in their manners. Mr. Hunt was Mayor of Cincinnati from 1912 to 1914, served as a major overseas and was a member of the War Department Claims Board and the War Department Board of Contract Adjustment. He served on the Railway Labor Board during 1920 and 1921.

## MOTOR DRIVER CONVICTED.

Badalatti to Be Sentenced Later  
for Killing Child.

The third conviction within a month for deaths due to reckless automobile driving was contained in a verdict handed down by a jury before Judge Nott in General Sessions late yesterday afternoon, when John Badalatti, 25, a plumber's helper, of 543 West 121st street, was found guilty of manslaughter in the second degree. Sentence will be imposed on Friday.

Badalatti, according to witnesses, on December 20, 1921, ran down and killed Edward Reis, 12, of 1935 Lexington avenue, at Third Avenue and 118th street.

Advertisement.

## A Tuxedo for His Christmas, \$46

Here they are in fine materials with touches of fashion for young men; more plainly made for men. Silk lined, finely tailored, \$46 to \$60. If you are thinking about an Overcoat, drop in and see my Irish Flannels, Light and Warm; the latest word in Overcoat Comfort, \$56, \$52, \$56. G. N. VINCENT, 221-421, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230 and 232 St. Ave., Bet. 51st and 52d Sts.

## BODY IN RIVER THAT OF NOTED INVENTOR

Inquiry Shows That Director  
in Big Vienna Firm Lies  
Here in Potter's Field.

The body of a man about forty-four years old was found floating in the East River off Whitehall street on June 28. Papers showed that the man was Alexander Recknitzer, an Austrian. Falling to find any relatives, the police buried him in Potter's field.

Yesterday the Missing Persons Bureau at Police Headquarters received a letter from the Austrian Consul-General of 24 State street requesting that the bureau make an effort to find Alexander Recknitzer, an inventor of Vienna, ranking high among the scientific men of his country. Recknitzer, it was said, was director of a prominent firm in Vienna in behalf of which he was traveling in America.

Following his arrival in this country he appeared to have been struck by mental trouble and was for some time a patient in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D. C. When last heard of, according to the Consul-General's letter, he was at Memorial Hall, 225 Bowery, a Salvation Army refuge.

At Memorial Hall the records show that Recknitzer stepped there on June 23 and 24. How he met his death whether he became ill and despondent or whether it was an accident, was never known. Belonging left at the Salvation Army refuge are kept for one year.

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## Wanamaker's

Broadway at Ninth, New York



A WAY to have the  
Victrola you want  
for Christmas

Of course, you have wanted a VICTROLA.

It is impossible to conceive of a home that does not want a VICTROLA.

But perhaps you have said to yourself: "I'll wait—I don't feel that I can buy a Victrola just now.".....BUT—

Is that really fair to your family, your children? Do you look upon the VICTROLA simply as an instrument of pleasure instead of seeing its better side—its educational advantages?

The Wanamaker Store Says this: There are two certain VICTROLA models more popular for home use than all others. They are cabinet instruments, in mahogany or Walnut, with all the newest VICTROLA equipment. Either of these instruments may be had on terms as little as—

\$5 a Month

These instruments, remember, are GENUINE VICTROLAS. Every part was made in the Victor factory, in Camden, N. J. They are not makeshift cabinets with small instruments fitted inside. This is a very important point to remember.

First Gallery, New Building

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# The City's Christmas Chimes Are Ringing

## From the Writings of the Founder

### This City's Christmas Chimes

On Broadway, a little above the Wanamaker Store, is the Old Grace Church.

Out of the old steeple the musical geniuses preside over its bells touch hammers little and big and the sky is filled with songs like unto the songs of angels.

Ring and rolling soft and sweet over the roofs from that old belfry there floats a message of good will and cheer to every living soul.

Wherever there is a bell in the city the thoughtful bell ringer will join in the Christmas carol of the bells.

There is no human hand that cannot ring a joy bell for two persons on Christmas morning—for himself and another; it only takes a kindly heart and a few minutes devoted to doing something in which we will be your help.

This is our hope to give your heart a vigorous pull.

(Signed) John Wanamaker

## A U Q U A T R I E M E



### Large Cushions

Covered in reproductions of Old Italian Brocades

These big luxurious cushions make the nicest sort of Christmas gift. They are covered on one side with brocade and on the other with taffeta in a plain color matching the brocade. The designs and colors are unusually beautiful.

### Brocade Cushions

Turquoise blue, brocaded in green, rose, old blue and gold, \$37.50.

Green brocade, pattern of grape vine and leaves, with bunches of gold and silver grapes (illustrated), \$37.50.

Old rose brocade, \$30. Old gold brocade, \$30.

### Silk Cushions

Scarlet ribbed silk with four dark blue stripes, \$30. Cerise taffeta, \$25.

Very antique taffeta, \$18. These cushions vary slightly in size, but they are all about 38x21 in.

Au Quatrieme, Fourth Floor, Old Building

## IN THE FASHION SALONS

For Miss 14 to 20

The New  
Jabot Frock  
and  
The New  
"Tie" Frock

The two newest inspirations of a famous French couturiere.

Beautifully copied at \$59.50 and \$49.50

Both of soft crepe satin, a happy choice for the delightful draperies of these original frocks are especially suited to a double-faced fabric.

In Lanvin green, gray, exquisite shades of brown, navy blue and black.

These frocks are destined, without a doubt, to be among the great successes of the new mid-season!

Second Floor, Old Building

### Smart Coats of black caracul, \$195

One of the many fine offers in the Christmas Sale of Furs

Fine soft skins, beautifully matched.

The newest silhouette—straight and slender with straight wide sleeves and deep collar.

Effective crepe linings in delightfully soft colors.

45 inches long. A remarkable coat at the price.

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The Blouse Salon's own copy of  
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The Smartest Silk Sweaters  
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The well-knit tuxedo sweater in pure silk, finely knitted. Slip-on sweaters with many variations of the V and round neckline, belted or bloused with long and short sleeves. Many are our own importations.

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Second Floor, Old Building

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Duplicates of chairs from the Edgin A. Simonds shop of Syracuse to be shown in the Furniture Exhibition January at Grand Rapids. But arriving here late we offer them now

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\$40 for \$53.50 arm chairs in antique brown finish, tapestry cover. \$46.50 for \$62 high back mahogany arm chair in figured velours. \$59 for \$79 Heppelwhite arm chair of mahogany with tapestry seat.

\$49 for \$66.50 walnut arm chair in tapestry. \$69 for \$93 walnut frame ottoman in antique finish. Down cushions in tapestry, fine design. \$79 for \$105.50 Louis XVI. mahogany arm chair in blue silk velours.

\$86 for \$129 small wing arm chair in figured wool tapestry. \$84 for \$112.50 Louis XV. arm chair in mahogany with blue tinsel flowered damask.

\$98 for \$131 high back Chippendale chair in mahogany with richly carved wood, tapestry seat. \$104 for \$139 library arm chair of walnut and tapestry. \$101 for \$135.50 walnut 4 foot bench, covered with tapestry in antique design.

\$121 for \$161.50 Chippendale arm chair, richly carved back, mahogany frame, velvet seat. \$127 for \$170.50 Carleton Club arm-chair, walnut frame, figured brown mohair.

## Also Two Fine Library Suites

\$391.50 for \$522 Suite  
Large sofa and 2 arm chairs in richly figured antique design tapestry. Finest workmanship and materials.

\$498 for \$665 3-piece Suite  
Large three back sofa and wing chair of fine imported tapestry; taupe background and highly figured foliage down cushions.

Fifth Gallery, New Building

## BELMAISON Reproduction Furniture

Many Types of Small Tables

In its reproduction furniture on the Fourth Floor of the New Building, Belmason has grouped various small tables in different styles, woods, and periods. If you are considering giving a small table to some one for Christmas, you will find here the right one for every type of room and person.

Louis XVI. Mahogany Tables.  
Louis XVI. oval mahogany table